IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL WRIT PETITION NO. 3375 OF 2206

Uttam Krishna Saswant .. Petitioner

vs

State of Maharashtra & Anr. .. Respondent

Mr. R. V. Govilkar, Adcocate for Petitioner

Mr. P.I. Khemani, AGP for Respondent No.1.

None for respondent NO.2.

CORAM : K.J. ROHEE, J.

DATE : 12TH MAY, 2006.

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1. Rule made returnable forthwith. Heard by consent of the parties finally.

2. After obtaining master's in degree in Agriculture (Agriculture) in 1991-92, the petitioner was appointed as an Agricultural Supervisor by respondent No.2 on 8/5/1992 on temporary basis. His appointment on that basis was continued from time to time by respondent NO.2.

3. On 11/11/2005 respondent NO.2 published an advertisement inviting applications for various posts to be filled in including the posts of Senior Research Assistant in Horticulture, Botany as well as Krushi Sevak. The petitioner applied for both these posts. However he has not been called for interview because of age bar. The question of relaxing age, is pending with the State Government.

4. In a similar writ petition NO. 6358/2003 the Division Bench of this Court had directed the University to consider similarly placed candidates by its order dated 5th December, 2003.

5. In view of the above circumstances, it would be in the interest of justice to direct respondent No.2 to consider the petitioner for the above posts by calling him for interview. Hence the order:-

(a) Respondent No.2 is directed to consider the petitioner for the posts of Senior Research Assistant in Horticulture Botany and Krushi

Sevak during interviews to be held from 15th May, 2006.

(b) Rule is absolute in above terms with no order as to costs.

Parties to act on the authenticated copy of this order.

(K.J. ROHEE J.)